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### Senate

The Senate was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, June 15, 2009, at 1:45 p.m.

## House of Representatives

FRIDAY, JUNE 12, 2009

The House met at 9 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. ALTMIRE).

#### DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

> WASHINGTON, DC, June 12, 2009.

I hereby appoint the Honorable JASON ALTMIRE to act as Speaker pro tempore on

NANCY PELOSI, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Daniel P. Coughlin, offered the following praver: Lord of the Sabbath, ever attentive

to our prayers, may this weekend provide the Members of Congress, their families and their friends the joy of Your presence in their midst. May they find the respite they need for both their bodies and their souls.

So renewed in energy and spirit, may they safely return to serve You and the people of their districts with greater vigor and determination. Then blessed by You, may they accomplish great deeds for this Nation, calling upon Your Holy Name, both now and forever. Amen.

#### THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair has examined the Journal of the last day's proceedings and announces to the House his approval thereof.

Pursuant to clause 1, rule I, the Journal stands approved.

#### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Will the gentleman from Texas (Mr. Poe) come forward and lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mr. POE of Texas led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

#### ANNOUNCEMENT BY THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will entertain up to five requests for 1-minute speeches on each side of the aisle.

#### FUNDING FOR STATE CRIMINAL ALIEN ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

(Mr. MITCHELL asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute.)

Mr. MITCHELL. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to protest the 25 percent cut proposed this week to the State Criminal Alien Assistance Program, otherwise known as SCAAP. SCAAP reimburses States and localities for the arrest, incarceration and transportation of undocumented immigrants who commit crimes in our communities. When State and local governments are forced

to step in and do the Federal Government's job, it is only fair that they be reimbursed.

Last year, the Arizona Department of Corrections received \$12.8 million from the Federal Government to house up to 5,600 criminal illegal immigrants in State prisons, only 10 percent of what Arizona spent to house illegal inmates that year. This cut is wrong, and as this legislation moves to the floor next week, I urge my colleagues to help me fight this cut.

If we are serious about immigration enforcement, we must restore SCAAP funding and reimburse Arizona for keeping criminal alien immigrants behind bars.

#### CONCERNS ABOUT CAP-AND-TRADE

(Mr. CHAFFETZ asked and was given permission to address the House for 1 minute and to revise and extend his remarks.)

Mr. CHAFFETZ. Mr. Speaker, I rise with deep concern about the so-called cap-and-trade. If the Democrats and President Obama get their way, we will have one of the single largest tax increases in the history of the United States imposed upon the American people at a time when we are struggling for jobs. We need to remember in this country that manufacturing is good. It

Now the administration will tell you that rebates will come for those that are in the middle class, but the bill cuts off assistance for families making

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